

GEN. CRONJE ESCAPED

Almost Impassable Drift Saved His Army.

DELATED BRITISH FOR A DAY.

The Boer General probably will lose all his baggage—baggage left behind his guns at Magerfontein and Kimberley—Other News of the War.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—4:30 a. m.—It is now amply confirmed that General Cronje escaped. Every detail received, however, proves how admirably Lord Roberts' plans were conceived and were successful. But for the unexpected delay at Delat's drift, which was almost impassable for wagons, the whole Boer force would have been surrounded. The delay of one day gave them their chance for a hasty retreat.

All the other movements of Lord Roberts were executed about on time. Apparently General Cronje is retreating with the main army, and even if he escapes altogether he will probably lose all his baggage.

The Daily News published the following dispatch, dated Feb. 18, from Modder river:

"Our sudden appearance seems to have surrounded the enemy and thrown them into a panic. All their positions were hurriedly evacuated and the big guns at Magerfontein and Kimberley were left behind.

"General Cronje moved his transport, consisting of hundreds of wagons, along a bank of kopjes north of the Modder river, near Koffyfontein. It went past our mounted infantry, but owing to weakness had to stop. Thereupon our artillery opened upon it. The main body of the Boer force kept up a running fight the whole day, vainly trying to escape.

"Each time their advance guard sought to move off our mounted infantry galloped across and attempted to stop their main movement, confining themselves with trying to check them.

"Their position at Koffyfontein is said to be very strong. They entertain a wholesome dread of our cavalry moving more quickly than they do themselves. We hope to be in Bloemfontein shortly."

The Daily News had another dispatch from the Modder river military camp, dated Sunday morning, which says:

"At dawn, on Friday, the Boers were observed moving wagons along the kopjes toward Koffyfontein. Our mounted infantry was sent out from Klipdrift, but was driven back, and the enemy's wagons passed."

"General Knox's Twelfth brigade, however, quickly attacked the enemy's main body and severe fighting went on all day over a line which was very extended. The enemy, making a desperate attempt, finally were forced to the serpentine bend in the river. The mounted infantry suffered from the trying flanking movement. Our force has now been reinforced."

JACOBSBURG, Free State, Feb. 19.—Further details of the Boer retreat show that the enemy has been fighting a good rear guard action, and occupying successive kopjes in order to allow the moving of the convoy, which, however, has been going at a very slow pace, the animals apparently being dead tired.

The latest reports show that the Boers in the neighborhood of Klipdrift are undoubtedly disheartened.

General French's magnificent march is still the subject of admiration, especially in view of the storms and thunderstorms that all experienced.

The work of shelling the Boers proceeds vigorously. Owing to the style of the action, the Boers are bound to show in the open whenever they are obliged to leave the kopjes.

BULLER TRYING

THE RESCUE AGAIN

Another Movement on Save Lady Smith—Trying to Take Hlangwane Hill.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A dispatch from Kimberley said:

CHIEVELEY, Feb. 18.—General Buller's casualties during three days' operations were about 80. The British forces have now partly ascended Monte Christo hill.

CHIEVELEY, Wednesday, Feb. 14.—(Delayed by censor.)—The movement northeastward began this (Wednesday) morning. Lord Dunderdale, with cavalry, infantry and artillery, occupied Hlangwane hill, five miles north of Kimberley. The infantry entrenched the hill. General Lyttelton worked around to

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THE RIGHT AND SIR CHARLES WARREN IN FRONT AND TO THE LEFT.

The Boers were heavily entrenched on Hlangwane and Monte Christo hills. A steady, independent fire, with occasional volleys, was maintained for some hours and the enemy's trenches were vigorously shelled.

The Boers had one gun in action during the early part of the day, but when we began shelling they moved it across the river. They used one Nordenfiedt in the afternoon.

Our casualties were few.

FRERE CAMP, Feb. 19.—The Boers abandoned several laagers. General Buller renewed the bombardment of the Boer position without eliciting a reply. Another forward move is regarded as imminent.

LADYSMITH, Saturday, Feb. 17.—By helicopter via Weenen.—The Boers have been very active here during the last few days and are evidently making a move somewhere.

The garrison is greatly delighted to learn of the relief of Kimberley. It is in excellent spirits and fit for anything.

CHIEVELEY, Sunday, Feb. 18.—The British operations are directed to the capture of Hlangwane hill, where the Boers are strongly fortified and from which they are shelling the British with great accuracy.

The British infantry are now disposed along a line extending for seven miles to the east of Hlangwane hill, where the Boers keep the base of Monte Christo hills.

From 6 o'clock Friday morning the British incessantly shelled Monte Christo, with the Nek separating it from Hlangwane hill, on the right.

The British infantry is making slow progress up the Nek, the Boers endeavoring to occupy Monte Christo, which will enable them to enfilade the Boers on Hlangwane.

CHIEVELEY, Sunday, Feb. 18.—General Buller has established his headquarters on Hlangwane hill. Heavy artillery firing was maintained at intervals by both sides from Wednesday until Friday. The British slowly pushed the advance, and their infantry occupied entrenched positions in front of the Boer hill with slight losses.

It is believed the Lyddite worked havoc in the Boer trenches.

The Boers are supposed to have moved their big guns back over the Tugela Friday afternoon. The rifle fire has been at times. The whole country is thickly wooded.

FRENCH ON SCHEDULE TIME.

Reached Kimberley In Spite of Fearful Conditions—British Now Have a Mobile Force.

JACOBSBURG, Orange Free State, Feb. 19.—Lord Roberts' combinations for the movement of the corps dovetailed with precision, although obstacles it had not been foreseen had to be overcome.

The execution of his design began at 8 a. m. a week from last Sunday. General French rode into Kimberley Thursday afternoon, about when he was due, according to the plan of the march. He had, having in four and a half days marched 90 miles with artillery and having fought two small engagements.

The relief of Kimberley was accomplished with the loss of only 50 men. Twenty thousand infantry made splendid marches under a sun-tropical sun and through a dust storm to hold the positions which General French took.

Lord Kitchener was with General French's division. In consequence of his transport arrangements the four divisions moving over the sandy roads are fed and watered. It is hardly possible to appreciate adequately the mathematical precision with which every part of the transport department has worked, marching through the day, telling all most sleeplessly throughout the night, victualing the army and evolving every hour results from seeming chaos.

Everybody did what was expected of him cheerfully, though enduring frightful fatigue at the end of more than three hours. The battalions, hour after hour, toiled through the heavy sand uncomplainingly, and when now and then a man fell out of the ranks exhausted he was rejoin his company later after he had rested. Some 50 or 60 were overcome by the heat and had to be sent to the rear in the backward defile of empty wagons.

The rapidity of Lord Roberts' movements away from his base has solved one of the problems, perhaps the chief problem, of the war. He and Lord Kitchener have created a mobile force, able to move in exterior lines, and to outflank the Boers, themselves so wonderfully mobile.

The position of the Boer army at Spytfontein being untenable, General Cronje ordered a retreat.

BOERS' GREAT KINDNESS.

A British Surgeon Praised Treatment of Wounded the Opponents.

ACADEL, Feb. 19.—Captain Longhurst, of the British medical corps, spent a night at Hlangwane's farm, attending the wounded. He says the Boers were remarkably kind to the wounded, giving them up with mattresses and gave them all the eggs they had.

The Boer commander and Captain Longhurst found that they had mutual friends in London and were soon on the best terms. The Boers and the British wounded fraternized.

Noticing that the bandoliers of the enemy were filled with soft-nosed bullets, one of our men said: "You ought not to bring such things to fire at us."

The Boer replied: "We must use whatever we can get."

This particular Boer contingent had come from the northern district of the Transvaal, where the Boers are used to hunting big game along the Limpopo. The Boers had taken their ammunition for that purpose.

After the retirement of the British forces the Boers held a prayer meeting and thanked Heaven for their successes. Then they celebrated with small parties and moved to their various outposts, chanting hymns as they went.

PRESIDENT KRUGER NOT UNEASY.

He Sent a Telegram to a Former Hlangwane Official.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—A dispatch which President Kruger is said to have sent to The Hague says the successful movement of General French for the relief of Kimberley, reached a former official of Holland in this city. The message, which was apparently sent with a view to quieting the apprehensions of the friends of the Boers, reads:

"No uneasiness. Federal operations in the west fully planned."

The recipient of this dispatch, who conceals his identity, received and published a dispatch announcing the defeat of the British at Spytfontein 24 hours before the news of that event was made known through British sources.

HARTFORD, Feb. 19.—Miss Sarah Porter, head of a famous school in Hartington, and sister of the late Noah Porter, died, aged 35. She established her school about 50 years ago.

TRADE WITH THE ISLES

House to Consider Tariff Feature This Week.

PORTO RICAN BILL COMES UP.

Likely to Affect Our Policy as to Other Possessions—Form of Government of Hawaii Will Be Considered in the Senate—May Discuss Other Islands.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The attention of the senate this week will be given largely to the relations of the United States to its insular possessions. The bill providing a form of government for the Hawaiian islands has right of way, and if it should be so fortunate as to be finally acted upon before the close of the week, the Porto Rican bill, under the agreement made in the Republican caucus last week, will be immediately taken up. The probabilities are that the Hawaiian bill will be debated at considerable length and that many amendments will be offered to it. On this account, and because it may be made the basis of more or less general talk on the question of the policy to be pursued toward the new possessions, considerable time probably will be necessary to the final disposal of the bill.

All admit the urgency of legislation giving the Hawaiians a government, but there are some points on which there are radical differences of opinion, and these will have to be fought out. The most important of these is the question as to whether the commercial intercourse between the United States and the islands will be under a tariff or under the free trade system which obtains between the United States and the islands.

The bill provides for free trade, but several of the senators, under the leadership of Senator Platt, of Connecticut, are making an effort to secure radical amendments in this respect. Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, will resist, and he will be supported by some Republicans and nearly all of the Democratic members. Practically the same fight will be made on the Porto Rican bill.

The Porto Rican tariff bill and debate upon it are to occur in the house this week. The vital question at issue in the bill is whether the clause of the constitution providing for equality of import and export taxes throughout the United States territory extends over the island of Porto Rico and in this is involved, perhaps, the determination of the future status and government of our new possessions. The Republicans, in framing the bill, proceeded upon the theory that the constitution and its immunities do not extend over Porto Rico. The Democrats are solidly arrayed upon the other side and in committee they were joined by one Republican—Mr. McCauley, of New York.

Among the other Republicans to take the same view is Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, who succeeded the late Mr. Dingley. He won his spurs in the debate upon the Roberts case and is already considered one of the most powerful debaters in the house. The support of these two prominent Republicans has raised some hopes in the opposition that they may be able to defeat the bill, although this hardly seemed probable at this writing.

Both sides will continue the fight for a royal struggle. Mr. Payne, the floor leader of the majority, will open in support of the bill. He will be followed by Mr. Richardson, the minority leader. Mr. Bailey, of Texas, will close for the majority. The debate will continue throughout the week and the vote will be taken on the following Monday.

LAST HONORS TO OLIVE.

Soldier Lad of the Tenth Buried at Washington, Pa.—Killed in the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Feb. 19.—Jacob O. Olive, the first soldier of Company H, Tenth Pennsylvania volunteers, to fall on the field of battle in the far east, was buried here today.

The funeral services were held in the Christian church, of which Olive was a member. They were in charge of Chaplain Henry W. Temple and the Rev. W. H. Hanna, pastor of the church. The services were opened with an anthem, "Beyond the Smiling and the Weeping," after which a prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Hanna.

The eulogies over the dead warrior were by Chaplain Temple and Rev. Mr. Hanna. The services were concluded with an anthem, "The Lord's Prayer," and benediction by Chaplain Temple.

The coffin was borne from the church to the funeral car by six comrades of his company: Sergeant James P. Braden, Corporal Charles H. Rogers, and Privates George C. Clark, William V. McCaffery, John P. Murray and Albert D. Wilson, intimate friends of the dead soldier; also by honorary pallbearers from the lodge of Odd Fellows.

On arriving at the cemetery, the soldiers of the company, who were sent to the grave, and the body was lowered into the grave. A volley was fired and short services were conducted by the Odd Fellows. A volley was fired and short services were conducted by the Odd Fellows.

Company H, Mount Pleasant.

THE L. & N. IN POLITICS.

Belmont Makes Public Correspondence With Waterman, Previous to the Election.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 19.—Milton H. Smith, president of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, has given out correspondence, mention of which was made in the editorial of Henry Waterman, regarding the Kentucky elections.

It is a letter written to Smith by August Belmont, one of the chief men of the company.

Waterman wrote him a letter warning him that the management of the road was interfering in politics, in trying to beat Goebel, and that it was bound to cause legislative action against the road, which would injure it, as Goebel was sure to be elected.

Smith made the election such that it would not be "left to chance." He also warned Belmont of the mismanagement of Louisville Post and Louisville Dispatch, which, he said, were controlled by the railroad, which were foolishly abusing the Courier-Journal and in reality injuring the road. He also complained of one Whelan.

Belmont laid the matter before the directors of the road. They passed resolutions, copies of which were sent to Waterman, saying no official of the road was allowed to run for office, neither had the road any connection with the papers complained of or with Whelan.

The road as a corporation had as much right as an individual to fight in politics men like Goebel or other legislators, who had tried and were threatening to injure the road, which, while de-

FOR MANY WOMEN

THE WEDDING RING IS BUT A LINK OF A CHAIN OF SICKNESS AND MISERY

DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION BREAKS THIS CHAIN AND MAKES WEAK WOMEN STRONG. SICK WOMEN WELL.

Living so much benefit from the state, had also in turn been a benefit to the state and the people.

SALISBURY'S HIGH IDEAL.

Believed to Be Sacrificing Politics, to What He Believes to Be Statesmanship.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—There is a growing impression that Lord Salisbury is sacrificing politics to what he rightly or wrongly believes to be the statesmanship of the last quarter of a century. His strength, patriotism and diplomacy have often been severely tested and not found wanting, hence the idea that his continued refusal to take the nation into his confidence at this crisis is prompted by motives of the highest importance.

The conduct of the foreign office, where there is not the slightest inclination to underestimate the difficulties or overestimate the national capabilities, certainly bears out this solution of the enigma that puzzles the Conservatives as much as it provides capital for the Liberals.

A reasonable supposition was suggested by a well-known peer, who said: "It is more than likely that Lord Salisbury, though seeing no immediate likelihood of foreign complications, wishes to prepare for the contingency and be able to meet it with a free hand, unfettered by any recent utterance confessing weakness or exposing weakness."

In support of this, it is interesting to observe that at the moment Lord Salisbury was demanding naval mobilization, the admiralty was engaged in instituting the preliminaries for that very move, by ascertaining at all the naval ports the number of ships that could be immediately commissioned and issuing orders for three battleships and three cruisers, all of the reserve, to coal at once, in order to be ready for commissioning in case they were required.

MILWAUKEE CITIZENS HUSTLING.

Delegation After Convention Left on a Special Train.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 19.—A delegation of about 100 boomers, including prominent politicians from Racine, Waukesha, Fond du Lac and other Wisconsin cities, left Milwaukee for Washington on a special train over the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road. The train was transferred to the Pennsylvania system at Chicago. The delegation will work hard to secure the Democratic national convention for Milwaukee.

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NEW BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.

Decision to Keep It Up, Not Hold On For a Year.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 19.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the new association baseball club the future of the club was discussed and it was unanimously agreed that the organization should be kept up.

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Can't Stand Cold

Many children can't stand cold weather. The sharp winds pierce them, and the keen air hurts them. They have cold after cold, lose flesh, and spring-time finds them thin and delicate.

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